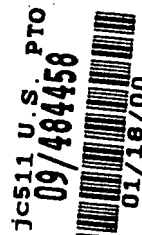




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Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is a continuation-in-part application of PCT application PCT/JP99/02579, filed May 18, 1999 including the specification, claims and twenty-four (24) sheets of drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: --This is a Continuation-in-Part of PCT Application No. PCT/JP99/02579, filed May 18, 1999, which claims benefit of priority based on Japanese and PCT Application No. 10-151883, filed May 18, 1998, 10-151882, filed May 18, 1998, 10-180519, June 26, 1998, 10-266109, September 21, 1998, 10-301782, October 23, 1998, 11-78843, March 24, 1999.--

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